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THE MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB, INC. 1944 L(1945 Season.

Norman Barnes

Presidenti

Thomas R. Gettelman Vice President

Emil R. Felber, Jr. Treasurer

Erwin W. Kreis Secretary

Directors in addition to above

John G. Doyle

John Scarvaci

Charles O. Meyer

Ray Peschek (Alternate)

Regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Sept. 7, 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norman Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:15PM.

Roll was called and disclosed 25 members and 1 visitor present.

Minutes of the meeting of May 25th 1944 were read, and after Mr. Scarvaci's amendment, to include mention of the Jamboree, were approve

Mr. Felber gave the following Treasurer's report: \$9.64 spent for Jamboree; \$143.75 in treasury, plus 9 war bonds.

President Barnes announced the associate membership applications of Joseph L. Bryson and Alois F. Geiersbach.

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Mr. Scarvaci moved and Mr. Meyer seconded the motions to accept
Messrs. Bryson and Geiersbach for membership. Motions were carried.

Mr. Kreis gave a report on the Bulletin, to wit: 82 being sent out monthly; a total of 153 letters and cards received from 67 individuals. Wendell Ciganek tops the list with 20 cards sent. Sid Rose carries the honor of being the most consistent correspondent and the farthest away.

Mr. Kreis read Bulletins # 6, 7 & 8.

Mr. Scarvaci moved, Mr. Peschek seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:10PM in favor of the WERS meeting which followed. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary.

Arrl renewals: Norm Barnes Herb Wareing Wm Kittson Bruno Plitzko

Regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs Club, Sept. 14, 1944 held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norman Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM.

Roll was call and disclosed 18 members and 1 visitor present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Felber read letters from Warrant Officer Ted Kercher, USN and Capt. Reid Burrows, USMCR. Reid wrote that he was happily surprised, on the aircraft carrier that took him to the Southwest Pacific, to mee Doc Wyman, who is stationed on the carrier.

Mr. Felber read a letter from John L. Goettelman, W8WHB, of Cincinnates who is with the American Air Lines at Washington, D.C. He wanted to know if by any chance Tommy gettelman was a relative of his. The letter was turned over to Tommy.

Mr. Kreis read excerpts from cards and letters from T/Sgt. Bob Reidel, Ray Charney RT 3/C, Wendell Ciganek, Cpl. Gil Rink, ist Lt Sid Rose, Don Merten, Lt. (jg) Louie Wollaeger, Romie Hudzinski, ACRM, Lt. Comdr. Bill Gainer, USNR, Cpl. Wm. Heinrich, Sgt Barney Kellner, Leroy Spanheimer, ART 1/C, Comdr. Fred Catel, USNR, T/4 Ed. Strelczyk, & Eugene Mahoney, RT 2/C,

President Barnes read a letter from the Community Fund.

President Barnes announced a Director's meeting to be held Sept. 19th at his residence.

Harry Barnes of WPDK, a visitor, gave a talk on frequencies and the mad scramble that will take place by the various industries.

Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Scarvaci seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:10 pm in favor of the WERS meeting which followed. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

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Board of Directors' meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Sept. 19, 1944, held at Norm Barnes' residence, 2512 N.61st St.

President Barnes called the meeting to order at 9:00 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed Norm Barnes, Emil Felber, Ray Peschek, John Scarvaci, Charles Meyer and Erv. Kreis present. Jack Doyle and Tommy Gettelman were absent.

Minutes of the previous were dispensed with.

Mr. Felber, as treasurer, had the Directors examine his accounts and they were found to be in good order.

Discussion of post war activity took place and it was decided to have a QSO party as soon as hostilities have ceased and enough of the boys have returned to make it practicable.

Discussion took place regarding frequencies but as nothing can at present be done it was left to ARRL to watch, and wait developments.

President Barnes read "25 Years Ago" that appeared in the September issue of QST.

Discussion took place about sending club members Christmas Greetings from the club. Mr. Kreis mentioned that some Christmas cards were still on hand from many years ago. Mr. Kreis made a motion that these cards be sent to members, Mr. Felber seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Mr. Peschek made a motion to purchase a box of cigars for the Museum engineers. Mr. Scarvaci seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Application of Kipp Oliver Pritzlaff for associate membership was read.

Question formerly brought up by a club member regarding the reduction of dues from 2.25 to 2.00 if paid in advance, was tabled.

Community Fund letter was discussed. It was decided that as The MRAC is a non-profit organization no contributions shall be made to any organization.

Mr. Peschek made a motion to resume the weekly raffle. Mr Scarvaci seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Pres.Barnes showed movies taken at the last MRAC picnic.
Mr. Meyer made a motion to adjourn at 10:30 pm, Mr. Peschek seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Meeting adjourned to the dining room where Mrs. Barnes had prepared a lunchdon of hamburgers, onions, relishes, beer and coffee cake.

Respectfully submitted

Regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs Club, Sept. 20, 1944 held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norman Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 16 members and 3 visitors present: namel Wendell Giganek, Irv Jackson and Alex"Red" Smith.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Minutes of the Board of Directors' meeting of Sept. 19th were read and approved.

Mr. Kreis read a letter from T/Sgt Eugene Berens.

Mr. Felber read a letter from S/Sgt McLain, W90EB.

Pres. Barnes asked for a discussion on a party and what kind should be held.

Mr. Gettelman offered the facilities of Gettelman's Rathskeller for the party.

Mr. Doyle made a motion to accept Mr Gettelman's invitation to have the party at Gettelman's Brewery. Motion was seconded by Mr Meyer. Motion was carried.

Date for the party was set for Thursday Oct. 19th and Mr Meyer was unanimously selected as chairman. Messrs. Scarvaci and Bryson were appointed as assistants.

Mr. Felber made a motion to appropiate \$15.00 for the party. Motion was seconded by Mr. Peschek. Motion was carried.

Wendell Ciganek told of the preparation for his new job with RCA. He will be attached to the Signal Corps as Technical Observer with the rank of Major. His duties will be overseas and will be relative to facsimile work.

Mr. Crapo informed us that this month rounds out his 25th year as a member of ARRL.

Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Bryson seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:20 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

Regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Sept. 28, 1944 held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norman Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 16 members and 2 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Kreis read a letter from Mr. A. J. Gillan, Supervisor, Dept. of Property, Milwaukee Public Museum, in which he reminded us to be more careful about cigarette butts and ashes for which the museum has provided ash trays.

Mr. Kreis read a letter from Cpll Waldemar Heinrich, and also Bulletin # 9.

Mr. Doyle introduced Mr. Burke, a visitor, formerly with the Army Corps at Hawaii.

Mr. Felber announced that Mr. Baker became the father of a son.

There being no further business, Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Kolle seconded the motion to adjourn at 9 PM in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Secretary,

ARRL renewals: Harold Strothmann Emil Felber

PO money order for \$4.00 9/29/44

Regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Oct. 5, 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

In the absence of Pres. N. Barnes and the late arrival of Vice Pres. Tom Gettelman, Mr. Kreis asked Mr. Herbert Wareing to act as chairman, and he called the meeting to order at 830 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 16 members and 4 visitors present.

Mr. Felber gave a Treasurer's report that showed \$161.59 in the treasury plus 9 war bonds (\$166.50)

Mr. Kreis read letters from Walter Stromberg, Capt. Leonard Geier, M/Sgt. Thomas Luitink, and Don Merten.

Mr. Wareing asked two of the visitors to introduce themselves, they were Messrs. Loefler and Holdridge both of the Wisconsin Telephone Co., and are interested in our WERS work.

Mr. Felber informed us of the death of Mr. Peshek's father-in-law.

There being no further business, Mr. Doyle moved, Mr. Meyer seconded the motion to adjourn at 9 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary

ARRL renewals:

Everett E. Kriese, W9QKQ, Clarence Burke

PO money order for \$4.00 10/9/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the MilwaukeeeRadio Amateurs Club, Oct. 19th 1944.

Messrs. Felber, Devendorf, Burke, Thorneley, Mayer, Jackson & Kreis met in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library and waited until 8:45 pm and then left for Gettelman's Rathskeller where the balance of members had assembled.

Mr. Kreis took a silent roll call and it disclosed 29 members and 3 visitors present.

Members from out of town were Walter Stromberg from Lake Ganeva, Wis. and Robert O Mayer, a CW opr. with the Northwest Airlines at Chicago.

Messrs. Meyer, Scarvaci and Bryson of the Entertainment committee provided the necessary hamburgers, raw beef, cold cuts and trimmings.

Tommy Gettelman supplied the amber brew. On hand was also Grandpa Graf' Root Beer for the testotalers.

The meeting being informal, no business was transacted. The boys devoted all their time to eating, drinking, playing cards and chewing the fat.

Mr. Felber played some of the old recordings made at various times by the MRAC.

Mr Crapo took several pictures of the gang.

After a nice evening enjoyed by all, the boys disbanded at midnight.

Respectfully submitted

Minutes of the regular metting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Oct. 26, 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norm Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 14 members and 4 visitors present.

Minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved.

Mr. Kreis read the MRAC Bulletin # 10.

Mr. Kreis read excerpts from Mr. Wollaeger's letter re the disposition of radio parts and equipment after the war.

Mr. Doyle gave use an explanation of the procedure for the disposal of equipment. It was decided that we as a small group could not do much about it and the subject was tabled.

Mr. Kreis introduced Chet Horton formerly of Chicago and the Hamfesters who know lives in our city.

Mr. Barnes introduced Mr. Clifford Miron, W9RVB, of Little Chute, Wis. who is now working for WISN.

Mr. Felber reported on another newspaper article regarding Cleveland Taxi radios.

Mr. Meyer reported that \$ 11.62 was spent by the entertainment committee for the party held at Gettelman's Rathskeller last week.

Mr. Peschek made a motion, seconded by Mr Felber that a vote of thanks was in order for Messers, Meyer, Scarvaci and Bryson of the entertainment committee and also for Tommy Gettelman for the use of the Rathskeller and the beer the he so gratuitously supplied. Motion was carried.

Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Scarvaci seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:25 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Nov. 2, 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norm Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM.

Roll was called and disclosed 13 members and 5 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Kreis read communications from; Lt. Pasquale Eannelli, Wendell Ciganek, Dave Reitz and T/4 Ed. Strelzyyk.

Mr. Felber gave a treasurer's report as of Oct 19th that showed \$ 159.34 in the treasury plus 9 war bonds.

Application of Alexander Smith for regular membership was read.

Mr Koenig moved, Mr. Krones seconded the motion that Mr Smith be accepted for membership. Motion was carried.

There being no further business Mr. Koenig moved, Mr Bryson seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary

Applications for ARRL membership

Ralph J. Groth (associate)
Martin Zavodnik (regular)

P.O. money order for\$4.00 11/3/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amatuers' Club, Nov. 9th 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norm Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm

Roll was called and disclosed 19 members and 4 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Felber gave a treasurer's report of \$ 159.24 and 9 war bonds.

Mr. Kreis read communications from: Bob Mayer, Pfc Orrin Loch, Cpl. Anthony Pawlik, and Eugene Mahoney, RM 2/C

Mr. Kreis read a letter from the Chicago Suburban Radio Association regarding the nomination of George Ashton, W9PNV, of Riverside, Illinois for the ARRL delegate representing the Central Division.

The application of Martin Zavodnik for regular membership was read.

Mr. Felber moved, Mr. Meyer seconded the motion that Mr. Zavodnik be accepted for membership. The motion was carried.

There being no further business mr. Meyer moved. Mr. Bryson seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

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Roman Hudzinski, CRM, USWR was a visiting member who came after meeting had adjourned. He gave a short talk.

Application for ARRL membership:

Gerald P. Ehley (associate)

P.O. money order for \$ 2.00 11/10/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Nov. 16th 1944, Held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

In the absence of Rresident Barnes, Vice President Tommy Gettelman called the meeting to order at 8:35 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 20 members and 4 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Felber gave a treasurer's report of 161. 49 plus 9 war bonds.

Mr. Mreis read communications from: Wendell Ciganek, Put. Paul Ripple, & Pvt. John Holmes.

Harry Barnes read a letter he received from Fred Catel.

The application of Gerald P. Ehley for associate membership was read.

Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Felber seconded the motion that Mr. Ehley be accepted for membership. Motion was carried.

The application of Ralph J. Groth for associate membership was read.

Mr. Smith moved, Mr. Koenig seconded the motion that Mr. Groth be accepted for membership. Motion was carried.

The nomination of George Ashton, W9PPV was endorsed by the membership.

Mr. Scarvaci moved, ar. Felber seconded the motion that the secretary write to the Chicago Suburban Radio association to inform them of the MRAC decision.

Mr. Jones of equipment.

hr. Gettelman mentioned that on Dec. 5th 1944 the MRAC will have its 25th anniversary of affiliation with the ARRL.

Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Scarvaci seconded the motion that the secretary write to Headquarters to remind them of the fact and ask them to put it in QST.

There being no further business Nr. Neyer moved, Nr. Koenig seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

ARRL renewal

Joseph H. Stevens, W9GAH
P.O.money order for \$\sigmu 2.00 \ 11/17/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Nov. 30th 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Libraryy

President Norm Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 22 members and 5 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Kreis read letters written to the following: Chicago Suburban Radio Association regarding the endorsement by the MRAC of George Ashton, W9PNV for the nomination of Central Division Director: to K. B. Warner regarding the MRAC 25th anniversary of affiliation with the ARRL.

Mr. Kreis read Mr. K.B. Warner's answer to our letter congratulating the MRAC and mentioning that a write-up will appear in the January QST.

Mr. Kreis read letters from the following: Eugene Mahoney, RM 2/C Pvt. Paul Ripple, Sgt. Gilbert Rink, Wendell Ciganesk, Lt(jg) Louis Wollaeger, Capt. Reid Burrows, and Lt. Arthur Trautmann.

Fred Catel was the visiting member of the evening and he gave us a fine talk on Alaska, from where he just returned, together with a display of souvenirs that comprised of an Eskimo man and woman in miniature dressed in native parkas, Eskino sun glasses, woven whalebone covered basket, Aleut water tight woven basket, walrus tusk bracelet, necklace, trinkets, fish hooks etc.

Messes. Jones of Houston, Texas and W.H. Collins, W8KB, of Flint, Mich. were also visitors.

Mr. Scarvaci moved, Ar. Peshak seconded to motion to adjourn at 10 pm. Motion was carried.

> Secretary Respectfully submitted

ARRL renewals

Louis A. Wollaeger, W9ANA Oliver E. Zander, W9DIJ Erwin W. Kreis, W9HRM

P.O. money order for\$6.00 12/1/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Dec. 7th 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norm Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm/

Roll was called and disclosed 13 members and 3 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Kreis read letters to and from ARRL President George Bailey re the 25th Anniversary of MRAC affiliation with ARRL and the Bulletin.

Mr. Kreis read letters from E.J.Irving, Paul Leser, Leser, ARM 1/C, Bob Mayer and Curtis Schultz.

Mr. Gettelman called for a treasurers's report. As the books were not entirely up to date, the report of Nov. 16th was given which showed \$ 161. 49 in the treasury plus 9 war bonds.

There being no further business Mr. Felber moved, Mr Gettelman seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary

ARRL renewals

Herb. Baker, W9GSP George Pfister, W9ZZQ

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GSP PO money order for 2.00 12/12/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Dec. 14th 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

In the Absence of president Norm Barnes and the late arrival of Vice President Tommy Gettelman, the secretary asked Herb Parish to act as temporary chairman. Meeting was called to order at 8:30 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 16 members and 3 vistors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

No treasurer's report was given.

Mr. Kreis read letters from the following: Eugene Mahoney, RM 2/C Cpl. Jimmie Wolff, Sgt. Gil Rink, Lt. George Pfister, Capt. Wesley Correll, Elmer Schultz, RM 1/C and excerpts from letters from Lt. Louise Wollaeger and Roman Hudzinski, ARRM.

Cpl. Frank Detzek was home on furlough and was a visitor.

Mr. Felber purchased a box of 25 cigars, a christmas present for the Museum Engineers, which was given to the Engineer on duty.

There being no further business Mr. Plitzko moved, Mr. Kolle seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow, Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary

ARRL renewal

Joe Kircher, W9NRX

ARRL application

Lester Kolle, ex W9CZX

P.O.Money Order for \$4.00 12/18/44

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Dec. 21st 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

President Norm Barnes called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

Silent roll call disclosed 14 members and 2 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Due to the absence of Treasurer Bmil Felber no treasurer's report could be given.

Mr. Kreis read letters from Lt. Comdr Bill Gainer, Pfc John Deisinger, Sgt. Jimmie Wolff, S/Sgt. Ray Behmke, Capt. Reid Burrows, and Lt. Louis Wollaeger, USNR.

Mr. Kreis read Bulletin # 12.

Discussion took place regarding "old timer's night" next meeting. It was decided that the secretary contact Clarence Crapo to have him bring his projector and slides. Norm. Barnes will bring his 8 mm projector and club picnic film and Ted Hien offered to bring 400 feet of film taken on the Grand Trunk Carferries.

Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Kittson seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:05pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted

Sannatanas

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Dec. 28th 1944, held in the Conference Room of the Milwaukee Public Library.

In the absence of President Norm Barnes and Vice President Tommy Gettelman, the secretary asked Clarence Crapo to act as temporary chairman. Meeting was called to order at 8:30 pm.

Roll was called and disclosed 12 members and 3 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Due to the absence of Emil Felber no treasurer's report could be given.

Mr. Kreis read letters from Ray Charney, RT 3/C, 1st Lt. Sid Rose, Lt.(jg) Bill Black, USNR, Sgt. Gil Rink, Eugene Mahoney, RM 2/C, and Wendell Ciganek.

Bob Schmidt was a visiting club member and he brought with him Mel Frank W9HFJ a local ham.

There being no further business Mr. Meyer moved, Mr. Parish seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm in favor of the WERS meeting to follow. Motion was carried.

After the WERS meeting Mr. Clarence Crapo showed lantern slides of MRAC club members' rigs, 1919 Milwaukee Division Convention, 1940 Bowling Party and 1940 Picnic. Also early club group pictures of 1919 and in the 20's. There were also pictures of W9VD back in 1915 and others right up to the present time.

Ted Hien showed 8 mm movies taken on the Grand Trunk Carferries.

Respectfull submitted